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It is a very remarkable fact that the interoceanic connection of the Mediterranean and Pacific type of marine faunas, existing in Western and Southern Asia (Tethys and Strait of Bengal), was ended at about the same time, in the Miocene, by the elevation of Western Asia and its union with Africa and Europe.

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*Stated Meeting, October 3, 1902.*

Dr. HAYS in the Chair.

A letter was read from Prof. Silvanus P. Thompson, of London, accepting membership.

The decease of the following members was announced :

Ferdinand J. Dreer, at Philadelphia, on May 24, 1902, æt. 90.

Prof. Rudolph Virchow, at Berlin, on September 5, 1902, æt. 80.

Major John W. Powell, at Haven, Me., on September 23, 1902, æt 68.

The following papers were read :

“On a Specialized Cocoon of *Telea polyphemus*,” by Prof. A. Radcliffe Grote.

“On Some Aboriginal Languages of Queensland and Victoria,” by Mr. R. H. Mathews.